

CORRECTED FISCAL NOTE

SB 335 - HB 1550

March 16, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires health care providers, health care facilities, and hospitals to send notification to patients 30 days prior to the destruction of medical records.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

On March 5, 2007, we issued a fiscal note which indicated that there would be a *not significant increase in state expenditures and a not significant increase in state revenues*. Based on information provided by the Department of Health, the estimated fiscal impact of this bill is:

(Corrected)

**Increase State Expenditures – \$206,300 Recurring
\$27,300 One-Time
Increase State Revenues – Not Significant**

Assumptions:

- In FY 05-06 the Department of Health destroyed 225 cubic feet of medical records which is estimated to be approximately 11,250 records.
- The Department of Health maintains medical records for those who are 18 years or older for a period of 10 years following the last patient activity. It is assumed that address and contact information for a majority of the patients will have changed over a 10 year period.
- The Department of Health will hire an additional Clerk 2 position in each Regional Health Office to contact the patient, provide copies of medical records when requested, and retain records at the patient's request.
- The additional seven positions will increase recurring state expenditures by \$206,300 which includes salary and benefits (\$158,300), communications (\$4,600), supplies (\$4,900), rentals and insurance (\$28,700), and communications and technology support (\$9,800). There will be a one-time increase in state expenditures of \$27,300 for office set-up and supplies.
- The Health Related Boards responsible for the regulation of providers and facilities that are included in the provisions of the legislation will

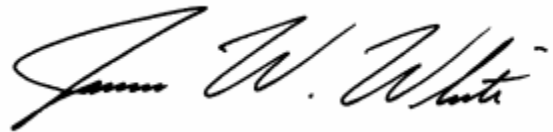
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not incur a significant increase in expenditures to investigate complaints.

- All Health Related Boards, by statute, are self supporting such that revenues equal expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" and last name "White" clearly legible, and "W." in the middle.

James W. White, Executive Director